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REMARKS

Claims 1-37 are pending in the present application.

The Examiner has required election in the present application between embodiments 1-14, listed as fourteen different species.

For the purpose of examination of the present application, Applicants elect, with traverse, the first embodiment, claims 1, 4-8, 31-36 includes Figures 1-3. This election is with traverse.

It should be no undue burden on the Examiner to consider all Species in a single application. Withdrawal of the Election of Species Requirement is requested. If the Examiner persists in this Requirement, Applicants reserve the right to file a Divisional application.

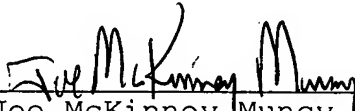
Should there be any outstanding matters that need to be resolved in the present application, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned at (703) 205-8000 in the Washington, D.C. area, to conduct an interview in an effort to expedite prosecution in connection with the present application.

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If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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